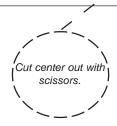
Activities Tool Kit: Storm Drain Stenciling Event Example of Door Hanger Used in Dover Campaign



Storm Drain Stenciling in Dover

Let's Remove Dog Waste from the Water Pollution Equation!



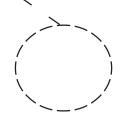
Just one dog? A day's waste from one large dog can contain 7.8 milion fecal coliform bacteria.

Storm drains can be found on streets throughout Dover, preventing the city from flooding when it rains. Most of these drains empty directly into the nearest water body—stormwater does not reach a treatment plant!

This means that **dog waste** and other pollutants left in the yard, on the street, or placed in storm drains, go straight into our rivers when rain falls.

Stenciling "Dump No Waste" next to storm drains that lead directly to the Bellamy River, **serves as a reminder** that *our daily activities* impact aquatic life.

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Why is dog waste a problem?

New scientific evidence has shown dog waste to be a **significant source of water pollution** in Dover's streams and rivers

- Your Health—Leaving pet waste on the ground may pose a risk to children and adults who can be exposed to disease
- Your Water—Pet waste carries disease causing organisms such as giardia and salmonella, which can make water unsafe for drinking or swimming.
- Your Community—Swimming beaches and shellfish beds can be shut down due to bacterial contamination, of which pet waste can be the source.

Protecting our watersheds ... Do your part: Scoop the Poop!



Scooping your pooch's poop isn't just a courtesy; it's the healthy and environmentally sound thing to do, **AND** *it's the law!*

BRING IT—Always bring a plastic bag when you walk your dog. So that you're

never without, carry grocery or newspaper bags in your purse, pocket or car.

BAG IT—*Use the bag as a glove to pick up pet waste.*Scoop up the waste and turn the bag inside out around the waste.

DISPOSE IT!—Properly dispose of pet waste by placing it in a trash can, flushing it, unbagged, down the toilet, or burying it!

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